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SUBJECT: MOZAMBIQUE PRESS ON RHODESIAN DEVELOPMENTS

1. SUMMARY: NOVEMBER 18 NOTICIAS REPORTS THE OPENING OF THE FRONT-LINE DEFENSE MINISTERS MEETING IN MAPUTO AND QUOTES ZIPA AS SAYING THAT THE RHODESIANS ARE SUFFERING HEAVY LOSSES AS A RESULT OF ZIPA ATTACKS INSIDE RHODESIA. ZIPA ALSO CONTENDS THAT THE "COMMUNIST THREAT" ABOUT WHICH SMITH TALKS IS AN INVENTION OF HIS IMAGINATION.

END SUMMARY

2. DEFENSE MINISTERS' MEETING: NOTICIAS HAS SHORT FRONT-PAGE STORY ON DEFENSE MINISTERS' MEETING WHICH OPENED IN MAPUTO YESTERDAY. MEETING IS BEING CHAIRED

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BY MOZAMBIQUE'S DEFENSE MINISTER ALBERTO CHIPANDE,

WHO IS REPORTED AS SAYING THAT PURPOSE OF MEETING IS TO IMPLEMENT RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT RECENT MEETING OF FRONT-LINE PRESIDENTS. PRESENT AT MEETING ARE INTERIOR MINISTERS OF TANZANIA AND ZAMBIA (ALI HASSAN MWINYI AND AARON MILNER), ANGOLA'S DEFENSE MINISTER (IKO CARREIRA) AND MOZAMBIQUE'S MINISTER OF INTERIOR (ARMANDO GUEBUZA).

3. ZIPA BROADCAST: NOTICIAS REPORTS THAT YESTERDAY ZIPA ANNOUNCED OVER RADIO MOZAMBIQUE THAT ITS FIGHTERS WERE INFLICTING HEAVY LOSSES ON THE ENEMY. "THE SALISBURY REGIME ITSELF ACKNOWLEDGES THAT A BATTLE OF CONSIDERABLE SCOPE HAD BEGUN CLOSE TO THE EASTERN FRONTIER...."

4. FOREIGN MINISTER CHISSANO IN GENEVA: NOTICIAS REPORTS THAT CHISSANO WENT TO GENEVA TO LEARN WHAT IS HAPPENING AT THE CONFERENCE. UPON DEPARTURE FROM MAPUTO, CHISSANO DECLINED ANSWER QUESTION ON THE STEPS THAT SHOULD BE TAKEN TO TRANSFER POWER TO THE ZIMBABWEANS. CHISSANO SAID THAT THESE QUESTIONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE ZIMBABWEAN NATIONALISTS.

5. ZIPA COMMENTS ON SMITH'S ALLEGATION OF A "COMMUNIST THREAT." NOTICIAS DA BEIRA NOVEMBER 17 PUBLISHES EXCERPTS FROM ZIPA RADIO BROADCAST TO ZIMBABWE. ZIPA ASSERTS THAT SALISBURY'S ALLIES "HAVE SECRETLY BEEN GIVING THE TERRORISTS (I.E. ZIPA'S LABEL FOR SMITH'S FORCES) ARMS WITH WHICH THEY HAVE BEEN KILLING INNOCENT ZIMBABWEANS THESE PAST ELEVEN YEARS. IN THIS WAY, ENGLAND, THE U.S., WEST GERMANY, JORDAN, ISRAEL AND SOUTH AFRICA HELPED IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER TO ARM THE REBEL BANDITS OF THE 'RHODESIAN FRONT...' ZIPA STATES THAT CONTRARY TO WHAT SMITH SAYS, THE RHODESIANS "ARE NOT FIGHTING EITHER THE SOVIET UNION, CUBA, CHINA OR ANY OTHER FORCES THAT THE REBEL ASSASSINS OF THE 'RHODESIAN FRONT' INVENT. THEY ARE FIGHTING US, THE ZIMBABWEANS... THE COMMUNIST THREAT OF WHICH SMITH AND OTHERS OF HIS KIND SPEAK IS AN INVENTION OF THEIR OWN IMAGINATION.."

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